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Colonel David A. Fastabend new Northwestern Division head

Portland, Ore. - - At a Change of Command ceremony August 22, Col. David A. Fastabend assumed command of the Northwestern Division of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. Recently nominated for promotion to Brigadier General, he previously worked for the Vice Chief of Staff of the Army at the Pentagon and in numerous staff and command positions before coming to Northwestern Division.

He succeeds Brig. Gen. Carl Strock, commander since July 1999, who was reassigned to Washington, D.C as the Director of Military Programs at Headquarters, Army Corps of Engineers.

Colonel Fastabend will direct a 4,800-member workforce and nearly \$1.3 billion of civil, military and environmental programs in the Columbia and Missouri river basins. This includes the operation and management of a wide of variety of projects for flood control, hydropower generation, navigation, fish and wildlife, recreation, water supply, water quality, irrigation, wetlands protection and endangered species activities in the Missouri River and Columbia River basins.

He will also administer a \$325 million military program for the design and construction of Army and Air Force facilities and a \$350 million environmental program for the cleanup of hazardous and toxic waste at military sites.

A 1974 graduate of the U.S. Military Academy, West Point, N.Y., Fastabend earned a master's degree in civil engineering from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and a master's in military art and science from the U.S Army Command and General Staff College.

Biography and photo of Col. Fastabend is available at www.nwd.usace.army.mil